Project No. 06-805.00

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

THE OWNER:

Branch Intermediate School District 370 Morse Street Coldwater, Michigan 49036

AND THE ARCHITECT:

Tower Pinkster Titus Associates 1000 South Burdick Street Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001-2689

Branch Intermediate School District is seeking sealed bids for the hydronic piping replacement at the Branch Area Careers Center, 366 Morse Street, Coldwater, Michigan.

All bids are to be returned no later than 2:00 p.m., local time, Friday, April 28, 2006. Bids will be read aloud at a public opening of bids at the following location at the time that bids are due. All interested parties are invited to attend. Late bids will be returned unopened. Three copies of the bid shall be submitted to:

Branch Intermediate School District 370 Morse Street Coldwater, MI 49036 Attn: Tonia Vorce, Administrative Assistant

Project Description: Replacement of existing heating hot water and chilled water piping, addition of isolation valves, control valves and pneumatic thermostats, replacement of pump impeller, rebalancing system and other related items in the contract documents.

Bid documents for a stipulated sum contract may be obtained from the Office of the Architect upon receipt of a refundable deposit, in the amount of \$50.00 for one set. Each bidder may receive up to three sets. Additional sets may be purchased for \$50.00 per set, non-refundable. If you have any questions, please contact Tonia Vorce at 517-279-5731.

The deposit will be forfeited by bidders that do not return the bidding documents in good condition within ten working days after the bid opening date.

Documents may be obtained only by general contract bidders. Others may view the bid documents at the following locations:

Tower Pinkster Titus Associates, Inc. 1000 South Burdick Street Kalamazoo, Michigan 49003-3508

Builders Exchange of Kalamazoo 3431 East Kilgore Road Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001-5513

Builders Exchange of Lansing 1240 E. Saginaw Street Lansing, Michigan 48906

Washtenaw Contractors Association 3135 S. State Street, Suite 210 Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

Dodge Plan Room 4705 Illinois Road, Suite 106 Fort Wayne, Indiana 46804

As required by State Law (P.A. 232 of 2004), all bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between Branch Intermediate School District or any employee of the bidder and any member of the school board or the superintendent of the school district. Bids that do not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement will not be accepted.

Successful contract and subcontract bidders may be required by law to have a criminal records check completed by all employees that will be working on-site prior to any work being started.

Bid security in the form of a surety bond, certified check or cashiers check made payable to the Branch Intermediate School District in an amount equal to 5% of the bid will be required. Prior to signing of the contract, the selected contractor must secure and post a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract sum. The cost of such bonds must be included in the Proposed Contract Sum.

A voluntary pre-bid meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on April 11, 2006 at the Branch Area Careers Center, 366 Morse Street, Coldwater, Michigan. The group will gather informally in the main entrance area of the Branch Area Careers Center and then proceed to the boiler room from there. The purpose is to consider questions posed by bidders and to tour the site and existing facilities. All prime contract and subcontract bidders are urged to attend.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of 30 days after the date set for the opening thereof, and all bids shall be subject to acceptance by the owner during this period.

Branch Intermediate School District reserves the right to waive any bidding irregularities and the right to accept or reject any or all bids.